



MEDIA RELEASE **PSA condemns robbery at Kwaggafontein SAPS**

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The Public Servants Association (PSA), representing thousands of employees of the South African Police Service (SAPS), is shocked by the alleged theft of firearms and ammunition from the Kwaggafontein Police Station in Mpumalanga on 17 June 2022.

The robbery is believed to have been carried out by six people after disarming on-duty police officers. The PSA supports the investigations into the circumstances that led to this lull in security and seeks urgent arrest of those responsible. This latest incident comes in the wake of unprecedented and increased attacks on police stations and police officers amidst by seemingly fearless criminals.

The PSA is extremely disturbed by the consistent breach of security at police stations, placing the lives of police officers and other employees at risk. Of even greater concern is the absence of plans or measures by government to address this matter, giving criminals confidence that their attacks will go unpunished and instilling fear in communities.

The PSA calls on the Provincial Commissioner of Police for urgent interventions to remedy this situation at all police stations. The PSA further demands that the Provincial Commissioner, working with the MEC for Community Safety and Security, should increase the number of police officers throughout the province to prevent similar attacks.

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